Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method for communicating a print job over a network, comprising:

providing a print driver;

operably associating the print driver with a client device, said client device capable of generating a printable document and providing print requests to the print driver; and

enabling said print driver to forward the print job to a spooling server via the network; wherein:

said spooling server is capable of receiving and storing said print job from the print driver via the network; ~~and~~

a printer for printing said print job is separated from said spooling server by a gateway firewall;

said spooling server is capable of forwarding the print job to ~~a~~ the printer in response to a polling request for said print job such that reconfiguration of the gateway firewall is not required.

2. (Currently amended) A method for communicating a print job over a network, comprising:

providing a print driver;

operably associating the print driver with a client device, said client device capable of generating a ~~printable document~~ print job and providing print requests to the print driver; and

enabling said print driver to forward the print job to a spooling server via the network; wherein:

said print driver forwards said print job to said spooling server as web-style traffic; and

said spooling server forwards said print job through a first gateway firewall to a printer as web-style traffic such that reconfiguration of the first gateway firewall is not required.

3. (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The method ~~in accordance with~~ of claim 2, wherein:

the print driver is located within a second gateway firewall;

the spooling server is located outside of said first and second gateway firewalls; and

the print driver forwards the print job to the spooling server such that reconfiguration of the second gateway firewall is not required.

4. (Currently amended) A method for communicating a print job over a network, comprising:

providing a print driver;

operably associating the print driver with a client device, said client device capable of generating a ~~printable document~~ print job and providing print requests to the print driver; and

enabling said print driver to forward the print job to a spooling server located via the network;

providing a personal identification number (PIN) with each print job forwarded to the spooling server; ~~and~~

storing one or more print jobs at the spooling server according to the PIN; and

forwarding the print job from the spooling server through a gateway firewall to a printer such that reconfiguration of the gateway firewall is not required.

5. (Currently amended) A print driver for communicating a print job over a network, comprising:

an interface for receiving a print job from a client device, said client device capable of generating a ~~printable document~~ print job and providing print requests to the print driver; and

a transmitter enabling said print driver to forward the print job to a spooling server via the network; wherein:

said spooling server is capable of receiving and storing said print job from the print driver via the network; ~~and~~

a printer for printing the print job is separated from said spooling server by a gateway firewall;

said spooling server is capable of forwarding the print job to ~~a~~ the printer in response to a polling request for said print job such that reconfiguration of the gateway firewall is not required.

6. (Currently amended) A print driver for communicating a print job over a network, comprising:

an interface for receiving a print job from a client device, said client device capable of generating a ~~printable document~~ print job and providing print requests to the print driver; and

a transmitter enabling said print driver to forward the print job to a spooling server via the network; wherein:

said print driver forwards said print job to said spooling server as web-style traffic; and

said spooling server forwards said print job through a first gateway firewall to a printer as web-style traffic such that reconfiguration of the first gateway firewall is not required.

7. (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The print driver ~~in accordance with~~ of claim 6, wherein:

the print driver is located within a second gateway firewall;

the spooling server is located outside of said first and second gateway firewalls; and

the print driver forwards the print job to the spooling server such that reconfiguration of the second gateway firewall is not required.

8. (Currently amended) A print driver for communicating a print job over a network, comprising:

an interface for receiving a print job from a client device, said client device capable of generating a ~~printable document~~ print job and providing print requests to the print driver; and

a transmitter enabling said print driver to forward the print job to a spooling server via the network; wherein:

a personal identification number (PIN) is provided with each print job forwarded to the spooling server; ~~and~~

the one or more print jobs are stored at the spooling server according to the PIN; and

the print job is forwarded from the spooling server through a gateway firewall to a printer such that reconfiguration of the gateway firewall is not required.

9. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said polling request is automatically forwarded to the spooling server from a printer polling device associated with the printer.

10. (New) The print driver of claim 5, wherein said polling request is automatically forwarded to the spooling server from a printer polling device associated with the printer.